

NEB. PREP FOOTBALL

ALLEN

COACH: Dave Uldrich (10th year) ASSISTANT: Marc Bathke, Luke Hoffman VITALS: Class D1, Lewis and Clark Conference LAST YEAR: The Allen Eagles finished second in their district with a 6-4 record and are looking to get back within contention of a sixth-straight playoff berth. RETURNING LETTERWINNERS: Cole Bathke (Sr., NT/G), Austin Roeber (Sr., QB/DB), Alex Langseth (Sr., RB/DB), DJ Kennelly (Sr., DB), Dylan Mahler (Sr., DE), Zach Hansen (Sr., G/DE), Eric Oswald (Sr., DT/K), Kyle Finnegan (Sr., RB), Cofy Reuter (Sr., G/LB), Derek Torres (Sr., DT), Anthony Kennelly (Sr., LB), Charles Brahmstadt (Sr., DT) NEWCOMERS: Cole Stewart (Fr., DE/LB), Austin Connot (Fr., QB/DE), Garrett Hingst (Sr., G/DT), Caylyn Cayou (So., RB/LB), Brandon Sullivan (So., RB/DB), Jacob Stewart (So., DE) ASSESSMENT: The Eagles had a large group of seniors from last year's team depart and are going to have to look to the current seniors to back on a winning path in a new class — D-1. "We are moving up a class, while others are coming down a class, it kind of makes me nervous," Uldrich said. "We are hoping for low injuries and keep penalties and turnovers to a minimum."

BLOOMFIELD

COACH: Jim Dooley (11th year) ASSISTANTS: Gary Walling, Matt Kuchar, Jason Heffner VITALS: Class D2, District D2-7 LAST YEAR: The Bloomfield Bees posted a 9-1 record on the way to a Class D2 playoff berth. RETURNING LETTERWINNERS: Wayne Bruegman (Sr., RB/DB), Justin Jindra (Sr., OL/OL), Chet Beckmann (So., QB/DB), Brett Hopkins (Sr., QB/DB), Dylan Wilson (Sr., LB), Alec Wilson (So., RB/LB), Tanner Schumacher (Sr., OL/LB), Dalton Cunningham (So., DB), Ty Alexander (So., LB), Dominic Lammers (So., OL/LB), Dakota Burgerhoff (So., OL/OL), Evan Koertje (So., TE/DL), Nick Nagengast (So., OL/DL) ALSO RETURNING: Max David (So., OL/DL) NEWCOMERS: Brenden Johnson (Fr., RB/DB), Tim Broders (Fr., RB/DB), Brandon Lawyer (Fr., OL/DL) ASSESSMENT: The Bees have a younger team this season, but that is only going to build experience for season to come. "We will still be a young team for the most part as most of our team is made up of sophomores," Dooley said. "While we may be improved overall, we will have to make significant gains in order to match last year's record."

CROFTON

COACH: Tony Hoffman (11th year) ASSISTANTS: Tom Allen, John Connot, Wil Sanger VITALS: Class C, District C-2 LAST YEAR: The Crofton Warriors had a solid season last year posting a 9-2 record and are looking to continue that production this season. RETURNING LETTERWINNERS: Trent Auels (Sr., RB/SS), Preston Mueller (Sr., OG/DT), Christian Mohr (Sr., QB/DB), Tom Peltz (Sr., RB/DB), Alec Wookman (Sr., OT/DT), Deryk Wortmann (Sr., C/DT), Nathan Hoffman (Sr., OG/DE), Dalton Gobel (Sr., RB/DB)

CROFTON

COACH: Jeff Jensen (10th year) ASSISTANTS: Russ Diedrichsen, Patrick Moore, Layne Patil, Sam Davidson, Tyler Mittleis VITALS: Class D-1 LAST YEAR: The Creighton Bulldogs had a strong finish last year finishing with a record of 8-3 and making it to the state quarterfinals. RETURNING LETTERWINNERS: Russell Volquardsen (Sr., OL/NT)

CROFTON

COACH: John Nyhaug (33rd year) ASSISTANTS: Galen Schoenfeld, Eric Sommervold, Brett Mellem VITALS: Class 9AA, Tri-Valley Conference LAST YEAR: This will be the first season that Viborg and Hurley will co-op to start a football team, so the Cougars are looking to combine the talents of both teams to make a good impression the first season. RETURNING LETTERWINNERS: Cory Jacobsen (Sr., QB/LB), Brandon DeVries (Sr., TE/DE), Stephen Lee (Sr., WR/DB), Matt Jensen (Sr., RB/DB), Cody Leber (Sr., C/DT), Sid Hart (Sr., K/DE), John Tirrel (Sr., LB/DE), Ryne Kludt (Sr., WR/DB), Aaron Sherard (Sr., OL), Tyler Gerdes (So., RB/DB), Trevor Jacobsen (So., RB/LB), Eric Schoolmeester (Sr., TE/DB), Dalton Fischer (So., OL), Zach VanBeek (Sr., OL), Dennis DeNeui (Sr., WR/DB) ALSO RETURNING: Clay Jorgensen (So., DB), Seth Andersen (So., DB)

SCOTLAND

COACH: Seth Mernaugh (1st year) ASSISTANT: Kevin Janish LAST YEAR: The Highlanders' play-off run was cut short by Gettysburg in the first round. RETURNING LETTERWINNERS: Nick Settle (Sr.), Connor Gross (Sr.), Grant Winkler (Sr.), Trevor Larson (Sr.), Lance Geiman (Sr.), Scott Streyle (Sr.), Zach Conrad (Sr.), Ryan Auch (Sr.), Nick Baker (Sr.), Tim Sternhagen (Sr.), Dalton Mogok (Sr.), J.T. Kass (Sr.), Delaney Rowe (So.), Logan Winckler (So.), Jared Kloucek (So.), Jared Diede (So.), Mike Millsap (So.), Spencer Bloch (Sr.) ALSO RETURNING: Dallas Hubbard (So.), Kyle Gall (Sr.), Taylor Bietz (Sr.), Wyatt Funk (So.), George Peterson (So.) NEWCOMERS: Seth Ireland (Fr.), Josh Kass (Fr.), Ronnie Bodden (Fr.) and Jesse Willet (Fr.) ASSESSMENT: The Highlanders only had four seniors last season, so they

Games To Watch

SEPT. 3: Newcastle at Allen. Eagles open first season in new class (D-1) with homecoming game. SEPT. 10: Bloomfield at Creighton. Two have not met in



BLOOMFIELD: Wayne Bruegman (9)

Jordan Morrill (Sr., OL/LB), Kyle Berglund (Sr., OL/NT), Derek Tyler (Sr., RB/LB), Collin Neumann (Sr., RB/LB), Holden Metzler (Sr., TE/LB), Heath Lemke (Sr., OL/OL), Andrew Largen (Sr., WR/DB), Brennan Becker (Sr., WR/DB), Ryan Mittleis (Sr., QB/DB), Cody Fitch (Sr., TE/LB), Cale Dohmen (Sr., OL/OL), Derreck Ruge (Sr., OL/OL), Aaron Von Seggern (Sr., OL/LB), Cole Thomas (So., RB/DB) ALSO RETURNING: Bronson Pahl (So., QB/WR/DB), Jacob Morrill (Fr., RB/LB), Seth Wilmes (Fr., RB/LB), Ian Fuchtmann (Fr., OL/LB), Jhett Avery (Fr., OL/OL) NEWCOMERS: Jake Ripp (Fr.), Justin Wilmes (Fr.), Mitchell Borgmann (Fr.), Dakota York (Fr.), Seth Wilmes (Fr.), Brian Bendana (Fr.), Cole Condon (Fr.), Kaleb Fritz (Fr.), Kory Wagner (Fr.), Josh Scott (Fr.), Taylor Vogt (Fr.), Lane Jacobsen (Fr.), Tanner Homan (Fr.), Michael Kracht (Fr.), Bill York (Fr.) ASSESSMENT: The Bulldogs appear to have a winning formula with a good mix of upper and lower classmen, and look to have good depth as they move into the eight-man ranks. "The Bulldogs will return considerable experience from last season," Jensen said. "One thing that will be new to us is the eight-man game will have to learn that in a hurry."

"We'll be playing a tough schedule in 2010, but our success will depend on us making adjustments," he added.

SCOTLAND

COACH: Scott Miller (3rd year) ASSISTANTS: Ken Kneifl, Blair Kolin, Jerry Bult, Josh Kneuten, Rob Morten VITALS: Class D1, Lewis and Clark Conference LAST YEAR: The Hartington Wildcats finished the season with a 5-4 mark, falling in the first round of the playoffs to perennial power Howells. RETURNING LETTERWINNERS: Cody Fischer (Sr., G/DE), Bryan Dunn (Sr., G/DE), Nathan McPhillips (Sr., DE), Chad Miller (Sr., RB), Aaron Wiechelmann (Sr., OL), Joel Nelson (Sr., C/G), Adam Wortmann (Sr., DE), Andrew LaRue (Fr., RB/DT), Reese Pederson (So., LB), Alec Fueberth (So., LB), Nick Miller (So., QB), Eric Derickson (So., G) ASSESSMENT: The Wildcats only lost two seniors from last season and with the experience that the incoming seniors gained from last season should be a big boost of confidence playing this year. "We need to get off to a good start," Miller said. "Our team has speed and quickness and we need to take advan-

are hoping to get big production out of their experienced group of guys. "We have an experienced group of returning players," Mernaugh said. "We'll look to improve every game and every week."

VIBORG-HURLEY

COACH: Jason Knebel ASSISTANTS: Russ Morrell, Mike Koupal, Rich Stephen VITALS: Class 11B, District 3 LAST YEAR: The Red Raiders had an outstanding season last year led by eight seniors, two of which are playing football at the University of Sioux Falls, one is wrestling for Nebraska and the other is playing football for South

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Athletes To Watch

Cole Bathke, Allen: NT/G, 2-time all-district Wayne Bruegman, Bloomfield: RB/DB, All-State, 1,714 yards in 9 games

HART, CEDAR CATHOLIC

COACH: Chad Cattau ASSISTANTS: Mike Johnson, Jason Folkers, Zach Wemhoff LAST YEAR: The Trojans had one of the school's best seasons, finishing with a 10-3 record and berth in the Class C2 championship game. HCC lost to Ponca. RETURNING LETTERWINNERS: Tyler Loberg (Sr., OL/OL), Tyler Leise (WR/LB), Kyle Klug (QB/WR/DB), Aaron Steffen (Sr., QB/WR/DB), Keenan Sudbeck (Sr., RB/DB), Nick Uhing (Sr., RB/LB), Kellyn Dump (Sr., RB/LB), Zach Wuebben (WR/DB), Todd Kathol (WR/DB), Trent Bottolfsen (Sr., OL/DE), Andy Moser (OL/OL), Mitchell Duhaeck (TE/LB), Logan Weinandt (Sr., TE/DE), Eric Kruse (OL/OL), Ty Uhing (Sr., LB/TE) ASSESSMENT: The Trojans graduated 13 seniors starters from last season, so they are trying to find some leadership in the group of upperclassmen on the team this year. "I really believe that if we develop some leadership and learn how hard we need to work on a daily basis that we can have a competitive team," Cattau said. "We need to learn how hard we will have to work in order to win varsity games."

LAUREL-CONCORD-COLERIDGE

COACH: Terry Bear ASSISTANTS: Brian Kaiser, Shannon Benson, Adam Patrick VITALS: Class C2, District C2-2 LAST YEAR: Laurel-Concord ended the season with a record of 5-4. Several starters graduated from that team. This is the first year of the co-op with Coleridge. RETURNING LETTERWINNERS: Mitch Heikes (Sr., RB), Travis Nelson (Sr., QB), Beaux Northam (Sr., LB) ASSESSMENT: The Bears are going to need to find a player to really step up and lead this team and if they accomplish that then Bear thinks they will have a successful season. "We are looking like all teams to stay healthy during the season," Bear said. "And we are also trying to get our team to believe in themselves, if they put their mind to it the fans will see some amazing things on Friday night."

NEWCASTLE

COACH: Shawn Koch (3rd year) ASSISTANT: Tim Schindler VITALS: Class D2, District D2-7, Lewis and Clark Conference LAST YEAR: The Newcastle Raiders had a successful season of ending 5-4 record, losing to eventual state champion Humphrey St. Francis in the first round of the playoffs. RETURNING LETTERWINNERS: Tyler Mohr (Sr., LB/DB), Jacob Luiken (Sr., RB/LB), Kyle Mohr (So., QB/DE), Dylan White (Sr., TE/DB), Robbie Whipple (Sr., OL/OT) OTHERS RETURNERS: Zac Collins (Sr., OL/OL), Bryson Irwin (Sr., OL/OL), Blake Hall (Sr., OL/OL), Dylan Hall (Sr., OL/OL), Alex Kocer (Sr., RB/DB) and Derek Dickerson (Sr., RB/LB) NEWCOMERS: Cody Kneifl (Sr., TE/DE), Jeremy Ateema (Fr., TE/DB), Jonah Lee (Fr., TE/DE), Donnie Anderson

(Fr., RB/LB) ASSESSMENT: The Raiders had three key defenders leave their team, but they are looking for some of the seniors and lower classmen to fill the void and make plays this year. "We plan to use our speed and versatility at our skilled positions and those will be our man offensive strengths," Koch said. "With the new district re-alignment we have a new and very challenging schedule."

PONCA

COACH: Troy Evans (1st year) ASSISTANT: John Stroud VITALS: Class C-2 LAST YEAR: The Ponca Indians finished 13-0 last fall and won the Class C-2 state championship. RETURNING LETTERWINNERS: Nolan Ryan (Sr., OT/DT), Josh Block (Sr., OL/OL), Kash Echtenkamp (Sr., RB/DB), Luke Markworth (Sr., RB/LB) ALSO RETURNING: Jesse Walsh (Sr., RB/DB), Eric Watchorn (Sr., RB/DB), Tyler Rasmussen (QB/DB), Alex O'Neill (Sr., RB/DB) ASSESSMENT: The Indians are hoping to not skip a beat going into this season hoping to make another perfect mark in 2010.

RANDOLPH

COACH: Mark Lech ASSISTANTS: Jim Hixson, Ted Stubbs, Layne Sievers and Tom Shafer VITALS: Class D1, District D1-7 LAST YEAR: The Randolph Cardinals finished with a 4-5 record. Nine players graduated from that squad. RETURNING LETTERWINNERS: Clint Lackas (Sr., RB/DB), Severin Bach (Sr., OL/OL), Rodger Haselhorst (Sr., OL/OL) ALSO RETURNING: Ian Fallon (Sr., WR/DE), Grant Anderson (So., QB/LB), Levi Laskas (So., RB/DB) ASSESSMENT: The Cardinals might have a rough season ahead of the team, but they are going to have to work on preparing each week and get the under classmen ready to take on those starting positions. "Our youth on our team need to step up and play right away," Lech said. "We are excited about playing schools our size and change into eight-man football."

SANTEE

COACH: Todd Rannels (7th year) ASSISTANT: Harold Jones VITALS: Class D-2, Niobrara Valley Conference LAST YEAR: This will be the first year since 2006 that the Santee Warriors will line up on the football field. EXPECTED STARTERS: Shawn Gillman (Sr., WR/SS), Dakota Denney (Sr., C/DE), Shelden Whipple (Sr., OL), Junior Martell (So., RB/LB), Rod Bickerstaff Jr. (Sr., RB/DB), Brandon Taylor (So., QB/DB), Weylin Washington (So., C/DL), Tyral Denney (So., QB/RB/LB), Preston Gilpin (Fr., RB/DB), Nick White (Fr., WR/SS), David Henry (Fr., SS), Jonathan Lang (Fr., DL), Brent Taylor (Fr., WR/SS), Jamie Henry (Sr., WR/SS) ASSESSMENT: The Warriors are going to need to get some game time experience, but after that, coach Rannels thinks they should be ready. "We should have a pretty good backfield," Rannels said. "They may need a

few games to get their feet wet before it comes together." "Our boys have to remember that few of have played football before, so we have to stay positive," he added.

WAUSA

COACH: Rusty Fuller (4th year) ASSISTANTS: Brandon Kirby, Adrian Alonzo, Tyler Fincher VITALS: Class D-2 LAST YEAR: The Wausa Vikings finished with a record of 3-5. RETURNING LETTERWINNERS: Marcus Claussen (So., RB/TE), Derrick Fevert (Sr., WR/RB), Kyle Schumacher (Sr., OL/OL), Alex Collazo (Sr., WR/DB), Peter Berdecia (Sr., TE/LB), Logan Bloomquist (Sr., RB/LB), Dakota Cunningham (Sr., OL/OL), Jeff Bloomquist (Sr., DB), Adam Kleinschmit (So., TE), Joe Deblizan (So., OL/OL), Trevor Wakeley (So., TE/DB) ALSO RETURNING: Reid Friedrich (So., QB/DB), Gavin Friedrich (So., RB/DB), Jacob Kearney (So., OL/OL), Cody Plumtree (So., OL/OL), Devan Key (Sr., OL/OL) NEWCOMERS: Austin Conn (Fr., QB/DB), Spencer Rosberg (Fr., RB/DB), Hunter Vanness (Fr., TE/LB), Tanor McFarland (Fr., OL/OL), Devon Munter (Fr., OL/OL), Matt Koehler (Sr., RB/LB), Trevor McQuary (Fr., TE), Dillon Wamburg (Fr., OL/OL), Jon Molina (Sr., OL/OL), Matt Wamburg (Sr., TE/DB), Ted Delizan (Fr., OL/OL) ASSESSMENT: The Vikings are looking to build from what they had last season. "We have depth at every position and we will be young," Fuller said. "We are hoping that we gain quality experience with younger players and we need them to step up."

WYNOT

COACH: Steve Wieseler (3rd year) ASSISTANT: Steve Heimes VITALS: Class D2, Lewis and Clark Conference LAST YEAR: The Wynot Blue Devils had a solid season, making it to the second round of the playoffs before losing to Ewing. RETURNING LETTERWINNERS: Michael Wieseler (Sr., WR/DB), Devin Wieseler (Sr., QB/LB), Mitchel Bruening (Sr., QB/DE), Duane Burbach (Sr., RB/LB), Tyler Pinkelman (Sr., RB/LB), Cody Stoppert (Sr., DE/TE), Chad Boeckman (Sr., OL/OL), Hal Thoenen (Sr., OL/OL), Koby Sudbeck (Fr., RB/LB), Chris Schmidt (Sr., LB/TE), A.J. Wieseler (Sr., WR/DB) ALSO RETURNING: Levi Pick (Sr., OL/OL), Seamus Koch (So., RB/LB), Nannan Wieseler (So., TE/DE), John DeBlauw (So., OL/OL), Scott Foxhoven (OL/LB), Brandin Rawling (So., WR/LB), Christian Krel (So., RB/LB) NEWCOMERS: Kirk Dowling (Sr., OL/OL), Kyle Bruening (So., OL/OL), Davis Wieseler (Fr., TE/DE), Kyle Eskens (Fr., DE/OL), Brady Stratman (Fr., RB/LB), Jackson Sudbeck (Fr., QB/LB), Austin Dowling (Fr., OL/OL), Filip Burbach (Fr., RB/LB), Joe Herold (Fr., OL/OL) ASSESSMENT: The Blue Devils lost a few key pieces in leadership on their team, but they are looking to have a strong roster for this season to get back into the playoffs.

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Freeman Flyers Football schedule table with columns for date, opponent, location, and result.

Freeman Lady Flyers Volleyball schedule table with columns for date, opponent, location, and result.